

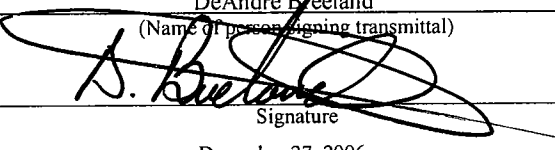
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Tetsujiro Kondo, et al.  
Serial No. : 10/612,238  
For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING  
INFORMATION, STORAGE MEDIUM AND PROGRAM  
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed on September 29, 2006, having  
a three-month statutory period for response set to expire on December 29, 2006, please amend  
the above-captioned application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins  
on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.